



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR New "Drive On" Members

SUBJECT: Command Team Welcome to the 15th Engineer Battalion

1. On behalf of the Soldiers and Families of the 15th Engineer Battalion, we welcome you to the only U.S. Army Engineer Construction Battalion in Europe. We proudly serve as Soldiers of the 18th Engineer Brigade and 21st Theater Sustainment Command. Our Battalion conducts general engineering operations in support of U.S. Army Europe (USAREUR) and, if directed, U.S. operations worldwide. We are located at Tower Barracks, USAG Bavaria near Grafenwoehr.
2. If you are planning to ship a POV to Grafenwoehr, please ship it 30-45 days prior to your PCS so that you will more likely have it available when you arrive at Grafenwoehr. Tower Barracks is the premiere training location in Europe and as such has some of the best garrison support agencies available, but it is also a large community.
3. The 15th Engineer Battalion has a long and proud history, earning two campaign streamers in World War I (WWI), eight campaign/battle streamers in WWII, eight campaign/battle streamers in Vietnam, and a campaign streamer for Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF). The "Drive On" Battalion has earned the Presidential Unit Citation for fighting in the Siegfried Line in WWII and the Meritorious Unit Citation for contributions to Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.
4. We continue to prepare for and execute many exciting missions that contribute to our Battalion's great legacy. When in garrison, we execute a wide spectrum of Engineer mission throughout Germany as well as the 92 countries and territories within USAREUR's area of operation. We are continually building our team into a highly trained, fully equipped unit that is ready to answer our Nation's call. The foundation for all of our actions is our Army Values.
5. You have the tremendous fortune of being assigned to one of the most versatile and capable units in the Army, while also being located in Bavaria. Take every advantage of visiting the rich European traditions and culture throughout the area. The Command Sergeant Major and I have experienced that this tour of duty will be a wonderful and exciting adventure if you take the time to travel and tour along the way.
6. Again, welcome to the 15th Engineer Battalion and to Germany. I am confident that your assignment here will be both personally and professionally rewarding. I look forward to having you on the "Drive-On" Team!

DRIVE ON!

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